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TO: IMMEDIATE TEHRAN.

AMBASSADOR HELMS FROM WARNER

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REF TEHRAN

I SYMPATHIZE COMPLETELY WITH YOUR VIEW THAT YOUR PREVIOUS TESTIMONY SHOULD SATISFY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE. I TALKED WITH THE STAFF TODAY URGING THAT YOUR PRESENCE IS NOT REALLY REQUIRED. THE STAFF SEEMED TO ACCEPT MY REASONING. I REQUESTED THAT IF THEY WANTED TO RENEW THIS REQUEST, THE MATTER SHOULD BE TAKEN UP WITH THE CHAIRMAN BEFORE THEY GO TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT. HE ASSURED ME THIS WOULD BE DONE. MAY I SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT YOU ADVISE ME IMMEDIATELY IF YOU HEAR ANYTHING THROUGH STATE CHANNELS THAT YOU ARE WANTED IN WASHINGTON SO THAT I MAY PERSONALLY TALK TO CHAIRMAN RODINO TO ASSURE IT IS THE COMMITTEE'S WISH. BEST REGARDS.

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